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**PATENT****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**Examiner: **P. Morris**In re Application of  
**Bono-Combie et al.**

Art Unit: 1625

Application No.: 10/773,073

Filed: February 5, 2004

Title: **USE OF 4-SUBSTITUTED  
TETRAHYDROPYPRIDENES FOR  
MAKING MEDICINES ACTING ON  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Communication mailed June 17, 2005 in the above-referenced application, Applicants elect Group III, claim 21 drawn to a method for treating pathologies linked to an abnormal apoptotic activity to be prosecuted. Applicants further elect prion diseases as the specific disease.

A request for a four-month extension of time and the required fee accompany this amendment, extending the period of reply to November 17, 2005. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment necessitated by this response to Deposit Account No. 18-1982.

Prior to examination, please amend the claims as set forth in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.